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1. REPRESENTATIVES FROM TANKER COMPANIES IN KUWAIT, SAUDI

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ARABIA, IRAQ, ABU DHABI, LIBYA AND ALGERIA PRESENTLY MEETING

IN KUWAIT UNDER OAPEC AUSPICES TO DISCUSS COORDINATION AND COOPERATION OF ARAB TANKER FLEETS INCLUDING KUWAIT-BASED ARAB MARITIME PETROLEUM TRANSPORT COMPANY (AMPTC) WHICH OWNED BY TEN MEMBER STATES OF OAPEC.

2. OAPEC SYG ALI ATEEQA TOLD CONFEREES THAT ARAB CONTROL OF OIL PRODUCTION AND PRICING SHOULD BE COMPLEMENTED BY CONTROL OF TRANSPORT AND MARKETING. ATEEQA ALSO RAISED QUESTION OF WHETHER DEVELOPMENT OF FLEETS OF CRUDE TANKERS WAS CONSISTENT WITH PLANS TO REFINE SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF PRODUCTION IN PRODUCING COUNTRIES.

3. IN ADDITION TO GENERAL SUBJECT OF COORDINATION OF TANKER OPERATIONS, ACCORDING LOCAL PRESS REPORTS, CONFERENCE WILL DISCUSS ESTABLISHMENT OF ARAB OIL TRANSPORT INFORMATION BANK AND FORMATION OF ARAB MARITIME ASSOCIATION THAT WOULD UNIFY SEA SHIPPING LAWS IN OAPEC MEMBER STATES.

4. COMMENT: ATEEQA TOLD EMBOFF AND VISITING SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE STAFFDEL THAT RECENT CHANGES IN CONTROL OF PRODUCTION AND PRICES BY OAPEC MEMBER STATES HAS MADE POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL TANKER FLEETS WHICH ALONG WITH AMPTC, WILL BE GIVEN PREFERENCE BY PRODUCERS. CLEARLY OAPEC STATES WILL NOW BEGIN FOCUSING ON GREATER CONTROL OF PETROLEUM TRANSPORT. BUT THIS WILL ENTAIL WORKING OUT POSSIBLE CONFLICTS AMONG AMPTC AND NATIONAL FLEETS AS WELL AS PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH HEAVY DEVELOPMENT OF CRUDE TANKER FLEETS WHILE ALSO DEVELOPING GREATER REFINING CAPACITIES. AS INDICATED REFTTEL, WE THINK THIS GENERAL TOPIC LIKELY TO BECOME INCREASINGLY SIGNIFICANT FOR MARITIME AND OIL CONSUMING STATES, AND DEPARTMENT/INR MAY WISH TO PREPARE BACKGROUND STUDY ON IMPLICATIONS OF DEVELOPMENT NATIONAL TANKER FLEETS BY OAPEC AND OTHER OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES.
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